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PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT COMMITTEE
Minutes of Meeting on February 18, 2010
[Approved on April 13, 2010]

Prepared by: Terry Wood

Meeting Location: Weston & Sampson Engineers, 8 Centennial Drive, Peabody, MA

1. Call to Order: Janine Commerford called the meeting to order at 2:24 p.m. Also present were Gail Batchelder, Deborah Farnsworth, Kirk Franklin, Jack Guswa, Gretchen Latowsky, and Kelley Race. Board members absent: Christophe Henry, Robert Luhrs and Debra Stake. Staff members present were Terry Wood, Lynn Read and Al Wyman.

2. Announcements: None.

3. Previous Minutes: The draft minutes of the meeting held on December 11, 2010 were approved.

4. Old Business

A. Status of CRTS

At Ms. Commerford's request, the chair of each CRT reported on progress made since the October meeting.

5. New Business

A. Request to Substitute Course to Satisfy the Term of an ACO

Ms. Wood stated that an LSP who had entered into an ACO with the Board to resolve a disciplinary matter had requested to substitute a course to satisfy the terms of the ACO. Under the terms of the ACO, the LSP was required to complete 24 credits of continuing education in pre-approved courses within certain deadlines. The 24 credits must include a course in risk characterization and a course in ethics or the standard of care. The LSP has

completed sixteen of the 24 credits and has taken a risk assessment course. The deadline for completion of the remaining eight credits is March 1, 2010. Ms. Wood said that the LSP stated that he was unable to find a course to satisfy the ethics/standard of care course requirement and requested permission to substitute another continuing education course he had taken recently.

Ms. Wood stated that she had asked Mr. Wyman to look at upcoming courses offered for professionals in other nearby states and he had located a 4-hour Engineering Ethics course offered this coming April in New Hampshire. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to extend the deadline for the remaining eight credits to April 29, 2010 to allow the LSP to take the Engineering Ethics course and also to allow the LSP to use four continuing education credits in another recently-completed course to count toward the eight credits. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Request by LSP to have Disciplinary History Information Removed from Web Site

Ms. Read stated that an LSP who had received a private censure from the Board in late 2008 requested that any information on his disciplinary information page on the Board's Web site be removed. Ms. Wood stated that up to this point in time the Board's policy has been not to remove any disciplinary history information from the Web site. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded not to change the existing policy at this time. The motion passed unanimously. The Committee members requested that Board staff check with some other professional licensing boards to determine if any of them remove disciplinary history from their Web site after a period of time.

6. Future Meetings

The Committee has not yet scheduled any future meetings.

7. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:52 p.m.